National Transportation Safety Board NTSB ID: LAX96LA070 Aircraft Registration Number: N987FE FACTUAL REPORT Occurrence Date: 12/12/1995 Most Critical Injury: None Occurrence Type: Accident Investigated By: NTSB Location/Time Nearest City/Place State Zip Code Local Time Time Zone **PST** CA 95822 0530 SACRAMENTO Distance From Landing Facility: Direction From Airport: Airport Proximity: On Airstrip Aircraft Information Summary Aircraft Manufacturer Model/Series Type of Aircraft Cessna 208B Airplane Sightseeing Flight: No Air Medical Transport Flight: No

Narrative

Brief narrative statement of facts, conditions and circumstances pertinent to the accident/incident:

On December 12, 1995, at 0530 hours Pacific standard time, a Cessna 208B, N987FE, owned by Federal Express, tipped over during a taxi back to the ramp area. The aircraft received substantial damage to the left wing and the pilot was not injured. Visual meteorological conditions existed at the time with gusty winds. The aircraft was operated by West Air Industries of Fresno, California, as a 14 CFR Part 135 cargo flight to Oakland, California.

The pilot reported that before his planned departure from Sacramento, he checked the weather conditions from his dispatch and ATIS for the flight to Oakland. While getting his clearance, he heard the winds were 24 knots gusting to 27 knots, duplicating the winds from the night before. The pilot departed the general aviation ramp and proceeded to taxi to the runway. He had problems during the taxi and wasn't able to maintain centerline discipline. He decided to return to the ramp and as the aircraft turned to the right past the 90-degree point, the aircraft turned over onto the left wing, also striking the propeller. He shut down the engine, secured the aircraft, and called for the emergency equipment. Subsequent information from the FAA revealed that the wind-measuring gauge in the tower had malfunctioned and indicated 20 knots lower than the actual reported wind.

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Landing Facility/Approach Info	rmation												
Airport Name	Airpo	rt ID:	Airport Eleva	ation	Run	way Used	Runwa	ay Lengt	h	Runv	way Width		
SACRAMENTO METRO SI					50 Ft	. MSL	. 0						
Runway Surface Type:													
Runway Surface Condition:													
Type Instrument Approach: NONE													
VFR Approach/Landing: None													
Aircraft Information													
Aircraft Manufacturer											erial Number		
Cessna				208B						208B	30201		
Airworthiness Certificate(s): Normal													
Landing Gear Type: Tricycle													
Homebuilt Aircraft? No	lumber of Seats:	(Certified Max Gross Wt.				8785 LBS Numbe			r of Er	er of Engines: 1		
					Engine Manufacturer: Model/Seri P&W PT6A-114								ed Power:) HP
- Aircraft Inspection Information								•					
Type of Last Inspection			Date	Date of Last Inspection Time Sir				nce Last Insp		Airframe Total Time			
AAIP			12/	12/11/1995					2 Hours 2841 Hours				
- Emergency Locator Transmitter (El	T) Information												
ELT Installed? Yes	ELT Operate	ed? No)	ELT Aided in Locating Accident Site?									
Owner/Operator Information													
Registered Aircraft Owner				Street A	ddress 3101 TC	HUL	AHOM <i>A</i>	\					
FEDERAL EXPRESS CORP				City								te	Zip Code 38118
	T s	MEMPHIS Street Address									30110		
Operator of Aircraft		5005 E ANDERSEN ST											
WEST AIR INDUSTRIES					City							te	Zip Code 93727
Operator Does Business As: FEDEF	Operator Designator Code: PCM												
- Type of U.S. Certificate(s) Held: No	ne						-						
Air Carrier Operating Certificate(s):													
Operating Certificate: Operator Certificate:													
Regulation Flight Conducted Under: Part 135: Air Taxi & Commuter													
Type of Flight Operation Conducted:	Unknown												
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First Pilot Information														
Name	City				State	Dat	e of Birth	Age						
On File	On File				On File	Or	n File	41						
Sex: M Seat Occupied	Pilot	ot Certificate Number: On File												
Certificate(s): Airline Transport; Flight Instructor														
Airplane Rating(s): Mult	i-engine La	nd; Single-e	ngine Land											
Rotorcraft/Glider/LTA: None														
Instrument Rating(s): Airplane														
Instructor Rating(s): Airplane Single-engine														
Type Rating/Endorsement for		Current Biennial Flight Review?												
Medical Cert.: Class 2	ivers/lim.		[Date of Las	t Medical	l Exam	n: 11/17/19	995						
- Flight Time Matrix	Airplane Single Engine	Airplane Mult-Engine	Night	Actu	Instrume	ent Simulated	Rotorcraft		Glider	Lighter Than Air				
Total Time	Total Time 4300 1800		3900	400	400		100	120	20					
Pilot In Command(PIC) 4100 1800			3400	450	400)								
Instructor	Instructor 400 100		400		10									
Last 90 Days	144	144	144											
Last 30 Days	48	48	48		48	3	5							
Last 24 Hours	3	3	3		<u> </u>									
Seatbelt Used? Yes	Shou	ılder Harness	Used? Yes		Toxi	Toxicology Performed? No Second Pilot? No								
Flight Plan/Itinerary														
Type of Flight Plan Filed: C	ompany VF	R												
Departure Point					Sta	te	Airport Identifier			arture	Time Zone			
Same as Accident/Incide	ent Location						SMF		000	00				
Destination					Sta	te	Airpor							
OAKLAND	CA		OAK											
Type of Clearance:														
Type of Airspace: Class	С													
Weather Information														
Source of Briefing: Company; TV/Radio Weather														
Method of Briefing:														
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Weather Information														
WOF ID	Observation Time	Time Zone	WOF	Elevation	n	WOF Distance From Accident Site					Direction From Accident Site			
SMF	0535	PST		0 Ft.	MSL_				0 NM		0 Deg. Mag.			
Sky/Lowes	st Cloud Condition: Clear				0 Ft.	AGL	Condition of Light: Night/Dark							
Lowest Ce	4′	4100 Ft. AGL			ility:	10	SM	SM Altimeter:		29.00	"Hg			
Temperatu		°C Wind Direction: 120 Density Altitude:									Ft.			
Wind Spee	ed: 20		Weather Condtions at Accident Site: Visual Conditions											
Visibility (R	RVR): 0 Ft.	0	SM	Intensit	y of Preci	pitation:	Unknown							
Visibility (RVR): 0 Ft. Visibility (RVV) 0 SM Intensity of Precipitation: Unknown Restrictions to Visibility: None														
Type of Pre	Type of Precipitation: None													
Accident	Information													
Aircraft Dar	mage:		Airo	craft Fire	:	Aircraft Explo					n			
Classificati	on:													
- Injury Su	mmary Matrix	Fatal	Serious	Minor		None	TOTAL							
First Pi	lot					1		1						
Second	d Pilot							Π						
Studen	it Pilot							\neg						
	nstructor			\vdash	$\neg \vdash$		 	┨						
Check	Pilot			\vdash	$\neg \vdash$		 	┨						
Flight E	Engineer			\vdash	\neg			\dashv						
Cabin A	Attendants			\vdash	\neg		 	\neg						
Other C	Crew			\vdash	\neg			\dashv						
Passen	ngers			\vdash				_						
- TOTAL A	ABOARD -					1		1						
Other G	Ground	0	0	,	0			0						
- GRAND	O TOTAL -	0	0		0	1		1						

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Investigator-In-Charge (IIC)

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